

III. REMARKS:

The Applicant, after review of the Examiner's restriction requirement, hereby elects for further prosecution in the present application the invention of Group I, claims 1-38, without traverse and withdraws claims 39-62 from further consideration.

In view of the examiner's restriction requirement and previously canceled claims, the applicant asserts the right to present claims 39-62 and previously cancelled claims 63-161 in a subsequent continuation or divisional application, if desired. Applicant notes that claim status indications of "withdrawn" in parentheses indicate that the referenced claim is being withdrawn without prejudice in response to a restriction requirement.

Importantly, it should be understood that the amendments are made as a matter of practicality only, and should not be construed as creating any situation of file wrapper estoppel or the like as all rights are expressly reserved and may be pursued in this or other applications, such as divisionals, continuations, or continuations-in-part if desired. Amendments are made as a matter of the Office's convenience or expedience only. The amendments should not be interpreted as an action that in any way surrenders a particular equivalency, finally surrenders any right to patent coverage, or otherwise limits any rights that the Assignee may hereafter assert. It should be understood that, unless and to the extent deemed broadened by this amendment, the Assignee expressly reserves all rights, including but not limited to: all rights to maintain the scope of literal coverage with respect to any element as may have existed under the language previously presented, all rights to maintain the scope of equivalency coverage as may have existed under the language previously presented, and all rights to re-present the prior language at any time in this or any subsequent application.

IV. CONCLUSION:

The applicant has elected Group I, drawn to claims 1-38 for examination. The applicant respectfully requests examination of such claims and an allowance is requested at the examiner's earliest convenience.

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